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**Alabama PACT Board of Directors
Approves Increase for Benefit Payments**

MONTGOMERY – State Treasurer and PACT Board Chair Young Boozer announced that at their regularly scheduled board meeting today directors of the Alabama PACT (Prepaid Affordable College Tuition) Program approved a 3.0% increase to the rate paid by the PACT Program for tuition and fees effective fall semester 2015.

Under the 2011 Class Action Settlement Agreement, PACT is required to pay tuition and qualified fees at the fall 2010 rates as certified by each respective Alabama public eligible educational institution. The agreement was negotiated to allow for an increase in benefit payments, if the actuarial condition of the PACT program improves.

“The settlement agreement was designed to stabilize a financially struggling program to preserve substantial value and to protect the program with a long-term financial plan given the fiscal constraints on the program,” said Treasurer Boozer. “We are pleased to be able to provide this increase in benefit payments just two years after the settlement was implemented.”

The PACT program currently has 27,322 active contracts.

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